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BIGGEST TROLLEY STRIKE ENVELOPS CITY OF CHICAGO

Not a Car Moves For Four Hours, Following Strike Order Promulgated Early This Morning—No Disorders As Company Finally Sends Out Few Cars Manned By Strike-breakers.

More Than 13,000 Men Are Thrown Out of Work and Business of the City Suffers Seriously—All Night Session of Board of Arbitration Fails to Bring About Friendly Settlement.

Chicago, June 14.—What is said to be the greatest street car strike the United States has known began here at 4 o'clock today. Thirteen thousand persons were thrown out of employment, 1,340 miles of single elevated and surface track rendered idle and a burden thrown on steam roads, automobiles, vans and other vehicles which they were able to meet in small part.

For four hours not a car moved. Then a South side elevated train carrying a few passengers made a round trip as a test. As a result it was announced that an attempt would be made to run trains with strikebreakers and guards every 15 minutes. The surface line made no attempt to work.

Policemen and private guards were stationed over all company property but no disorder was reported early.

Business Is Affected. Business was not paralyzed but it was benumbed. The tie-up in one way or another affected every branch of the city's activities.

The streetcar lines put on extra trains and extra coaches but were swamped with business. Lines of persons waiting to get through the turnstiles stretched for blocks away from the station and tens of thousands walked to their work.

The rupture came last night when Mayor Thompson admitted that his attempt at mediation was a failure.

At 4 o'clock the last car had been quickly sent and the struggle was on with no sign of peace in sight. The most pious pickets, the employers' advocates for strikebreakers and W. D. Mahon, national president of the Street Car Employees' Union, returned to Detroit, his headquarters, the better to direct the financial phase of the strike.

A carload of strikebreakers was reported to have arrived secretly from Cincinnati. It was stated that no attempt would be made to run surface cars for several days.

The strikers had demanded a guarantee of a wage increase. Officials of the companies refused this demand. To meet it, company officials said, would mean an increase of \$1,400,000 annually.

Taxicabs did a rushing business and

the jitney buses, which heretofore have failed to make much progress in the transportation problem, were loaded with passengers. Hundreds of big motor moving trucks also were pressed into service.

Mrs. Ellen Flagg Young, superintendent of public schools, asserted that attempts would be made to continue the schools without interruption, although the problem of transportation of 7,000 teachers gave grave concern.

Arrangements to furnish 5,000 strikebreakers to operate cars and guard property, were put into operation today. Agents of the two electric lines had arranged, it was said, to provide for food and sleeping quarters in several large hotels. Employment agencies did a record-breaking business in procuring men for strike-breaking duty.

Banquet halls, sample rooms and even the roofs of large downtown hotels have been converted into sleeping quarters. The demand for cots to be placed in office buildings was exceedingly brisk. Thousands of persons have planned to sleep in their offices.

Managers of theatres within the business district announced that they would close unless the strike was speedily settled. Baseball at the National League park—the only Chicago club now on the home grounds—probably will be postponed after today's game.

The closing of some of the big summer parks in the outlying districts was regarded as certain.

FLAG IS EMBODIMENT OF NATION'S HISTORY, SAYS PRESIDENT WILSON

Washington, June 14.—Introducing President Wilson at the Flag Day exercises at the Treasury department building today, Secretary McAdoo said the meeting was to pay homage to the flag of our country "at a time when it had a deeper significance than ever before in the world's history, when it is the hope of civilization."

The exercises were attended by Secretary Lansing, Secretary Daniels, Senator Simmons and many other government officials. A chorus of treasury department employees sang patriotic songs before and after the President's address.

"For me," said the President, "the flag does not represent a mere body of sentiments. It is the embodiment not only of sentiment but of a history, and no man can rightly serve under that flag who has not caught some of the meaning of that history."

"You do not create the meaning of a national life by any literary exposition of it but by the actual daily endeavors of a great people to do the tasks of the day and live up to the ideals of honesty and righteousness and just conduct. And as we think of these things, our tribute is to those men who have created this experience. Of these men we feel that they have shown us the way. They have not been afraid to go before. They have known that they were speaking the thought of a great people when they laid that great people along the paths of achievement. There was not a single swashbuckler among them. They were men of sober, quiet industry. They were men who thought along lines of duty, not along the lines of self-aggrandizement. They were men, in short, who thought of the people whom they served and not themselves."

"While we think of them and do honor to them as those who have shown us the way, let us not forget that the real experience and life of a nation lies with the great multitude of unknown men. They constitute the body of the nation. This age is the essence of their daily endeavors. This age does not express any more than what they are what they desire to be; and as I think of the life of this great nation it seems to me that we sometimes look to the wrong places for its sources."

"We look to the noisy places, where men are talking in the market places; we look to where men are expressing their individual opinions;

we look where partisans are expressing passion instead of trying to attain our ears to that voiceless mass of men who merely go about their daily tasks, try to be honorable, try to serve the people they love, try to live worthy of the great communities to which they belong. These are the breath of the nation's nostrils; these are the sinews of its might."

"There are no days of special patriotism. There are no days when you should be more patriotic than on other days."

"I am accustomed in the presence of such a day. I would not undertake to speak your thoughts. You must interpret them for me."

TO RUN FREIGHTERS FROM BRIDGEPORT TO PACIFIC COAST

The New England & Pacific Steamship Co. is being formed in this city by Alexander McNab, president of The McNab Co., and other persons. It is said by the officials that a freight line will be run between Bridgeport, New London and the Pacific Coast by way of the Panama Canal.

It is expected dockage facilities will be obtained in a few days at Bridgeport and New London. The company expects to be doing business soon.

WEST VIRGINIA MUST PAY BIG PART OF DEBT

Washington, June 14.—The supreme court today decided the long standing Virginia-West Virginia debt case, holding West Virginia should pay \$12,393,229 as its not share of the Virginia debt at the time of partition of the states.

KIDNAPPER HELD FOR ATTACK ON LITTLE VICTIM

Police Apprehend Laborer Who Snatched Six Years Old Child Into Jitney.

OTHERS SOUGHT FOR CRIMINAL OUTRAGE Little School Girl Under Physician's Care—Others Are Sought.

The return home of six-years-old Josephine Pagliacuto of 50 Columbus place, shortly after dark yesterday morning, after a sensational kidnapping episode in which a jitney was figured, was followed in city court today by the remanding of Antonio Distillo, laborer, 38 years old, in bail of \$1,000 on a charge brought as a result of the physical condition of the little girl.

Distillo, who lives at 226 North Washington avenue, is held for assaulting the little school girl. The neighborhood is wrought to a pitch of frenzied indignation as a result of the tot's experience, and mothers are unwilling to let children wander unaccompanied by their elders in the belief that others who figured in the crime are still at large.

According to the statements made by Josephine and partially confirmed in statement made by Distillo to the police the little child has probably suffered most cruelly.

Distillo claims as an excuse that he was too drunk to know what he did, and that he woke up upon a stranger's steps with the dew falling upon him and the little child who was suffering from exposure.

The child was taken into a jitney, the corner of Main and Grand streets, at about 5:30 yesterday afternoon. The prisoner attempts to deny that he knew the other persons in the car, or even the name of the jitney driver. The police are waiting for the man killed. John Goussard, the man killed, died at the Stamford hospital shortly after the accident from the effects of a fracture of the skull and other injuries.

J. F. Yoske and Elizabeth Donnetta, the owners of the car, were called to the hospital with serious injuries. The others who were thrown out of the car and injured in the wreck were Edward Bouford, a chauffeur; Charles Bonner, William Burns and John York. All the members of the party lived in Waterbury. They were on their way from Stamford to their home city.

The accident occurred at one of the most dangerous grade crossings in the city, at a place where a sharp curve prevents automobilists or railroad engineers from seeing each other at any considerable distance. There have been several accidents at the place.

ROOSEVELT URGES WAR PREPAREDNESS TO INSURE PEACE

New York, June 14.—Soldiers, sailors, statesmen, clergymen, representatives of labor and of business, met here today to discuss the military needs of the nation. The session was under the auspices of the National Security League and there were a number of addressers.

Mr. Roosevelt's views on arbitration treaties, war, unpreparedness and pacifists, expressed in a letter written by him under date of June 8 to Hon. Max Baucus, were the basis of the gathering. Mr. Maxim, after referring to letters on unpreparedness sent Mr. Maxim by Oscar Strauss and others, Col. Roosevelt's message was followed by the extraordinary letter sent you by the three young men who purported to speak for the senior class of the college of which they are members the course of conduct which these men and those like them advocate for the nation would of course not only mean a peculiarly craven avoidance of national duty by our people, but the time but would also inevitably tend permanently to encourage the spirit of individual cowardice no less than of national cowardice.

The professional pacifists, the professionalists and the peace men who during the last five years have been so active, who have pushed the mischievous anti arbitration treaties at Washington, who have condoned our criminal inactivity as regards Mexico and above all as regards the questions raised by the great world war now raging and who have applauded our object failure to live up to the obligations imposed upon us as a signatory power of The Hague convention are at best an unlovely body of men and taken as a whole are probably the most undesirable element that this country contains.

"The prime duty of this nation is to prepare itself so that it can protect itself. It is not a right which can be put before peace. It is wicked to be neutral between right and wrong; and this statement can be successfully refuted only by men who are prepared to hold up Pontius Pilate, the Arch typical neutral of all time, as worthy of our admiration."

Hearing on Fairfield Remonstrance June 24

The county commissioners have assigned June 24 as a date for a hearing on the remonstrance against Charles Philip who wants to transfer his liquor license from Ridgely avenue to Main street in the Lenox Heights section of Fairfield. A number of property owners in the neighborhood have remonstrated and the Fairfield fire department, which recently purchased property near the proposed saloon, is also opposed to the transfer.

MASSIVE BANNER OF STARS AND STRIPES PRESENTED TO CITY

St. Louis, June 14.—What is believed to be the largest United States flag in America, was presented to the city of St. Louis during the flag day celebration here today. It is 150 by 78 feet and weighs 400 pounds. It was given to the city by the Million Population Club. In a recent parade 150 men and 60 boy scouts were required to bear the emblem.

NAMED SUFFRAGAN TO CONN. DIOCESE ACCEPTS ELECTION

Middletown, Conn., June 14.—Rev. E. Campion Acheson, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity here, announced today his acceptance of the election as suffragan Bishop for the diocese of Connecticut. He was elected at the recent diocesan convention at Hartford in response to requests by Bishop Chauncey B. Brewster for an assistant.

ONE KILLED, SIX INJURED, AS TRAIN RAMS AUTOMOBILE

Stamford, June 14.—One man was killed, another man and a woman were seriously injured and four men were less seriously injured yesterday afternoon when an automobile was struck by a Waterbury garage was struck by an engine on the New Haven & Hartford railroad near Grandbrook, a suburb of Stamford. John Goussard, the man killed, died at the Stamford hospital shortly after the accident from the effects of a fracture of the skull and other injuries.

J. F. Yoske and Elizabeth Donnetta, the owners of the car, were called to the hospital with serious injuries. The others who were thrown out of the car and injured in the wreck were Edward Bouford, a chauffeur; Charles Bonner, William Burns and John York. All the members of the party lived in Waterbury. They were on their way from Stamford to their home city.

COMMISSION PLAN ADVOCATES WILL HAVE BIG PARADE

Everybody Will Be on Foot in Procession to Escort Judge Carey.

Voting machines with the eight questions that will be presented to the voters Saturday, June 19, were demonstrated today in every ward of the city. The first district demonstration was made at the city hall and during the day, many came to learn how to work the machine intelligently.

"This is a very important matter," said Mayor Wilson this morning referring to the election Saturday. "I would urge every voter to come out and express his opinion."

Interest in the election is growing. Wednesday evening the advocates of commission government will hold a big mass meeting at the State Street Casino and a parade will be held to escort Judge Robert Carey, the Wheeler & Wilson band will lead the parade, in which everybody but the judge will be on foot, and no persons but him will be in a car. The commission government advocates committee urge that all citizens join in the parade as everybody will be walking. E. L. Graves will be grand marshal of the parade. The parade will start at 7:30 o'clock, from the Stratfield hotel.

STRATFORD WOMAN HURT WHEN MOTOR CARS SIDESWIPED

Mrs. Jane E. Terry is Painfully Hurt When Flung From Automobile.

(Special to The Farmer) Stratford, June 14.—Mrs. Jane E. Terry of 1188 Main street was severely injured last evening when she was hurled from the car in which she was riding with her son, William M. Terry, superintendent of the Berkshire Mills. A New York car bearing license No. 46861, crashed into the Terry machine as the latter was proceeding toward New Haven, at Washington Bridge.

Mr. Terry was driving over the bridge when a trolley car and a small machine approached from the opposite direction. The small automobile was stopped to prevent congestion and both driver waited for the trolley to pass. Just then the New York machine came from the rear of the small car and the driver attempted to pass his car between the trolley and the other two automobiles. It crashed into the Terry machine and ripped off the rear left wheel.

Mrs. Terry was thrown from the machine and both her legs were injured. She was taken to this city where medical attention was obtained and then she removed to her home. The accident occurred at 8 o'clock.

Residents at Southampton, N. Y., celebrated the 275th anniversary of the founding of the city.

DEMAND RETURN OF ASSESSMENT ON WOOD BLOCK

Stratford Avenue Property Owners Say They Are Deriving No Benefit.

MAY MEAN BIG LOSS IN CITY'S REVENUE

Taxpayers Claim Paving Should Be Paid For By General Assessment.

Between \$40,000 and \$50,000 revenue will be lost to the city if 50 taxpayers on Stratford avenue receive what they will ask the claims committee of the board of aldermen, for at the meeting Wednesday night.

Asserting that they don't see where they are getting any benefit and that permanent pavement ought to be paid for by direct taxation rather than by assessment, the taxpayers ask the return of the money they have paid or the abatement of the assessments they ought to have paid for the wood block pavement.

Incidentally, although the wood block was laid in 1913 the property owners on Stratford avenue received no notice of their assessments until this year.

Many of the owners of property will appear before the meeting Wednesday evening in the effort to make clear their position. If the claims of all these are granted the city will lose much revenue.

The petition for the refundment of the assessments that have been paid and the abatement of those that ought to be paid, was signed and presented by the Stratford avenue taxpayers more than a week ago.

The pavement was laid in the summer of 1913. Because of the fact that crosswalks and spurs leading from the trolley tracks were subject to change the work was not finished until the spring of 1914. The assessments were not made by the clerk of the board of aldermen until the summer of 1914 and the assessments have until June 26 to pay.

RESIDENTS NEAR ARMS WORKS IN PANIC AT FIRES

Blaze Near New Plant Causes Excitement in Neighborhood of Buildings.

Two minor fires this morning did little damage, but caused great excitement in the vicinity of the Bridgeport Arms works and in the crowded section near Pembroke and Arctic streets. The first was a still alarm from the restaurant directly across Boston avenue from the administration building of the new Arms works. Damage of about \$10 was done by a gas stove flame. A pot of grease upset shortly afterwards at 10:44 Pembroke street. No damage was recorded.

Investigation into the fire that caused three alarms to be rung in by residents in the vicinity of the junk yard conducted by Julius A. Merson, 255 Sterling street, where damage of about \$200 was done to a shed and the building adjoining, will cause storage of oily chips to be prevented within the city limits.

Fire Marshal Edward Mooney today ordered Merson to remove all such stuff from his yard and will complete this afternoon a search of all yards to see if more is stored in the city. Spontaneous combustion by action of the sun's rays caused the fire. Many residents of the neighborhood became panicstricken when the flames broke out. Three separate alarms were rung in.

TWO KILLED AND FIVE WOUNDED AS MOB STORMS JAIL

Winnesboro, S. C., June 14.—A white man named Eisenhauer and Utes Smith, a negro charged with criminal assault, were killed and five officers were wounded, Sheriff A. D. Hood, probably fatally, during a riot here early today when a mob attempted to take Smith from the office.

During the fighting that followed, Smith's body was riddled with bullets.

WEATHER FORECAST

Fair and cooler tonight; Tuesday fair and continued cool. Moderate east variable winds, becoming light northeast.

BRITISH STEAMERS ARE TORPEDOED BY COAST BLOCKADERS

Summary OF THE War News

In Northern Galicia between Przemyśl and Lemberg, there has been a renewal of furious fighting and, according to an official announcement from Berlin today the Teutonic allies have gained an important victory. An attack along a 43 mile front is said to have resulted in capture of the Russian positions between Czerlawa, northwest of Moskala, and Sienawa.

The announcement says 16,000 prisoners were taken yesterday.

In northern France heavy fighting continues. The German war office today announced that the French had sustained a severe defeat near Arras. The French military authorities asserted that a German work had been captured near Lorette but admitted the Germans had recaptured part of the entrenchments at Souchez was the previous day.

The British steamer Hope-mount, of 3,300 tons, was sunk of Land's End by a German submarine. The crew was rescued.

Heavy fighting has been raging on Gallipoli peninsula between the French and British forces and the Turkish army which is defending the approach to Constantinople. The Turkish war office announces that attacks of the allied forces against the right wing of the Turks were repulsed and that the attackers were thrown back to their original positions with heavy losses.

A press despatch from Petrograd says 20,000 men in the army of General Von Mackensen were killed as the result of an attack on the Russian positions near Moskala, in Galicia. The Austro-German attempt to capture Lemberg is said to have been given up. Official despatches, however, indicate no marked change in Galicia, where the fighting is continuous and severe.

Fighting in the Carinthian town of Valentin, by the Italians, is announced officially at Rome. Along the Igouza river a battle of large proportions has been in progress for several days. Although the Italians apparently have won some advantages, the Austrians have brought up reinforcements and are offering determined resistance.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK FROM BELGIAN LINE

London, June 14.—Although the French would appear to be unrelenting in their efforts on the western front, the situation in northern France, the situation in the eastern arena of the war, where the Austro-Germans are straining every nerve to deliver a crushing blow to the Russians, remains of the utmost importance.

No confirmation has yet been received of the report that the Austro-Germans have re-occupied Zarnawa, but further to the south they are across the river Dniester and on Russian soil in Bessarabia.

Not for months past has there been such general activity on the eastern front. Checked at the center of the Galacian line the Austro-Germans have developed an offensive on both wings at the same time and they are starting another battle in Poland to the north of Przemyśl. There is expected fighting going on at the same time in the Baltic province, so it may be said that the commanders are at grips once more on the Baltic to the Roumanian frontier.

The stand which the Russians have been making recently in Galicia indicates to British observers that their shortage of ammunition has been overcome. It was this shortage, according to the belief there, that enabled the Austro-Germans last month to sweep across the country and take Przemyśl in such rapid time.

In Greece the followers of Premier Venizelos, who resigned because Greece would not enter the war on the side of the allies, seemed to have gathered again in Poland in early returns of the general elections held in that kingdom. Indorsement of the policies of M. Venizelos may have a bearing on Greece's future course of action.

GEN. VON MACKENZEN REPORTS BIG ADVANCE

Berlin, June 14.—Official announcement was made here this afternoon that General Von Mackensen has occupied the Russian position along the entire front in the eastern arena of the fighting from Czerlawa to Sienawa.

These places are in Galicia. Sienawa is 15 miles northwest of Jaroslau on the river San.

Aids Enemy's Poor. Verona, Italy, June 14.—The Italian government, considering the poverty and miserable condition of the inhabitants in the districts just conquered, has decided to give the families of Italians serving in the Austrian army from those districts the same food and clothing as the Italian soldiers. It is stated. This will be announced in the new districts today.